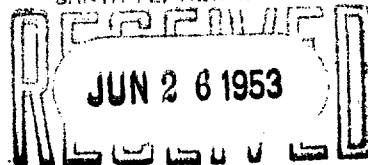


BEFORE THE  
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO



CASES 545 and 546 (consolidated):

In the matter of the application of Sinclair Oil and Gas Company for an exception to Rule 309 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations to permit the use of common tankage for the storage of oil produced from portions of State Lease No. B-10209 insofar as it covers the  $S\frac{1}{2}$  SE/4 of Sec. 28; State Lease B-10137 insofar as it covers the  $N\frac{1}{2}$  of Sec. 33; and State Lease E-6931 insofar as it covers the SW/4 of Sec. 33, all in Township 13 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, in the Lazy 'J' Pool.

In the same matter as it covers State Lease No. B-10209, insofar as it covers the SE/4 of Sec. 21; and State Lease No. B-10137, insofar as it covers the NE/4 of Sec. 28, same range, township and pool.

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

June 16, 1953

Date

BEFORE: Honorable Ed. L. Mechem, Governor  
Honorable E. S. Walker, Land Commissioner  
Honorable R. R. Spurrier, Director, OCC

STATE OF NEW MEXICO )

ss

COUNTY OF BERNALILLO)

I HEREBY CERTIFY That the within transcript of proceedings before the Oil Conservation Commission is a true record of the same to the best of my knowledge, skill, and ability.

DONE at Albuquerque, N. M., this 24th day of  
June 1953.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "E. E. Greeson".

E. E. Greeson  
Notary - Reporter

My Comm. Ex.:  
August 4, 1956

COM. SPURRIER: The next case on the docket is Case 545.

(Mr. Graham reads the advertisement.)

MR. PHILLIPS: If the Commission please, on behalf of the applicant I would like to consolidate this case with the following case 546, which appears on the docket.

(Mr. Graham reads the advertisement.)

MR. PHILLIPS: If the Commission please, I am Dudley Phillips appearing for the applicant. I have one witness, Mr. Gilbert Thompson, who should be sworn.

GILBERT THOMPSON

having been first duly sworn, testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. PHILLIPS:

Q Will you please state your name and address?

A Gilbert C. Thompson, Midland, Texas.

Q By whom are you employed?

A Sinclair Oil and Gas Co.

Q In what capacity are you employed?

A Assistant to the division engineer in the West Texas Division.

Q Mr. Thompson, have you previously qualified your testimony as a professional petroleum engineer before this Commission?

A I have not.

Q Will you please tell us, Mr. Thompson, if you have a degree in petroleum engineering from a recognized school or college authorized by the teaching profession to grant such degrees?

A I have a degree in mechanical engineering from Stanford University. That is a bachelor degree and a masters degree from Stanford University.

Q Have you practiced as a petroleum engineer since those degrees were granted to you?

A I have practiced as a petroleum engineer for the last six years, yes.

Q Have you previously qualified to testify as an engineer before any other state commission authorized to regulate the production of oil or gas?

A Yes, I have testified frequently before the Railroad Commission of Texas.

MR. PHILLIPS: Will the witness' qualifications be received?

COM. SPURRIER: They will.

Q Mr. Thompson, I hand you Exhibit 1 in Case 545 which is the application made therein, and ask you if you are familiar with all the contents thereof, including the exhibit attached thereto marked Exhibit A?

A I am.

Q Are the statements made in the application true

and correct to the best of your knowledge?

A To the best of my knowledge, they are.

Q Mr. Thompson, I hand you Exhibit 1 in case 546, which is the application made therein, and ask you if you have read all the contents thereof, including Exhibit A attached thereto?

A I have.

Q Are all statements and allegations made therein true and correct to the best of your knowledge and belief?

A Yes.

MR. PHILLIPS: We would like to introduce these two exhibits in evidence as a statement of our case.

COM. SPURRIER: Without objection, they will be admitted.

(Off the record.)

MR. PHILLIPS: We rest.

COM. SPURRIER: Is there anyone else to be heard in this case?

MR. GRAHAM: May I ask counsel if he wishes a consolidated or separate orders?

MR. PHILLIPS: At the Commission's convenience.

COM. SPURRIER: We will take the case under advisement, and move on to case 547.

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